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In re Patent Application of)
Thomas G. Ruttan et al.)
Application No: 09/675,259)
Filing Date: September 28, 2000)
For: System and Method for Connecting)
A Power Converter to a Land)
Grid Array Socket)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the present application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

4. The power delivery system of Claim 1 wherein the power converter is adapted to convert voltage received from a power supply to a lower voltage and transmits the lower voltage to the land grid array socket.

9. (Amended) The power delivery system of Claim 6 wherein the power converter is adapted to convert voltage received from a power supply to a lower voltage and transmits the lower voltage to the land grid array socket.

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